

REMARKS

Claims 8 and 9 remain in the application. Claims 1-7, 10 and 11 have been cancelled from the application.

First, claims 8-11 stand objected to because of informalities noted by the Examiner. In response, Applicant has amended the claims to use "first aperture" and "second aperture" to consistently describe similar features of the first and second sleeves as suggested by the Examiner.

Second, claims 9 and 10 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Worden (US 3,065,342). However, the Examiner has indicated that claim 8 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the objections set forth in the Office Action and claim 11 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims and including amendments to overcome the objections set forth in the Office Action.

In response, Applicant has amended independent claim 8 as suggested by the Examiner above. Additionally, Applicant has also amended independent claim 9 as suggested by the Examiner and also to include all of the limitations of claim 10 and allowable claim 11.

Therefore, Applicant submits that the amended and remaining claims 8 and 9 are clearly in condition for allowance.

It is respectfully submitted that this patent application is in condition for immediate allowance, which is respectfully solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this amendment or patent application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment of the above fees associated with this Communication to Deposit Account No. 50-1759. A duplicate copy of this form is attached.

It is respectfully submitted that this patent application is in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this amendment or patent application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

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